Community Day Schools Workshop August 8, 2000

The Community Day School Field Colleagues Network (CDSFCN) will present a workshop entitled "**Keys to Operating Quality Community Day Schools.**" The workshop will be on August 8, 2000, starting at 1:15 p.m., as part of the California Department of Education's **School's In! 2000 Symposium** at the Sacramento Convention Center.

Community Day Schools (CDSs) serve expelled and other at-risk students in kindergarten through grade 12 whose behavior prevents them from being successful in traditional school settings. A panel of field colleagues, including school and district level representatives, will present issues and practices considered to be keys to operating quality CDSs. There will be opportunities for conference participants to ask questions and to offer their own insights.

Workshop participants will learn about a relatively new educational placement currently operated by over 175 districts and county offices of education. Workshop topics will include populations to be served; comprehensive curricula, including both academic and pro-social skills/resiliency components; entering and exiting CDSs; administration; allocating and leveraging resources; and accountability. Participants will also learn about, and be encouraged to participate in, a developing network of CDS field colleagues committed to working to support the development of high quality CDS programs.

The workshop will benefit Directors of Alternative Education and Student Services, as well as administrators and staff with responsibilities for the educational placement and services for expelled or other at-risk students.

For conference information (including early registration rates on or before June 16) go to http://www.cde.ca.gov/schoolsin/

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